

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFICES CLOSED THIS MONDAY

In observance of **Juneteenth**, the church office will be closed on Monday, June 22. 'Juneteenth' is a federal Holiday commemorating the arrival of Union Troops in Galveston, Texas in 1865 and the final liberation of enslaved African-Americans after the end of the Civil War. It is both a moment of celebration and a powerful reminder that the emancipation proclamation was not fully lived out until more than two years after it was issued and that the fight for equity and equality continues through to today.

### CHILDREN'S FORMATION SUMMER UPDATE

Children's Formation classes have paused for the summer and resume the Sunday after Labor Day with a new curriculum, The Peace Table. During this pause, as Nativity participates in the Diocese of North Carolina's *Let the Children Come* discernment cohort, we'll experiment with new ways to engage children more fully in worship as active members of the Body of Christ. Thank you to all our volunteers for another wonderful year of helping our children grow in faith!

### PEACE LIBRARY SUMMER READING

Look for the special display at the front of the sanctuary featuring Peace Library books chosen to complement each week's Gospel reading. Many of these titles are new to the collection. Activity sheets for most books will be available for children to use during the service. Families are welcome to borrow any featured books or other Peace Library titles. A sign-out binder will be available at the display table.

### LECTIONARY DIVINA

This summer, we invite you to join a new adult formation offering: Lectionary Divina. Meeting Sundays from June 21 to August 23, from 9:30–10:20 am in Curry Hall, Room 204, this group will engage one or more of the lectionary readings appointed for the day through a reflective, discussion-based approach. Sessions will be led on a rotating basis by The Rev. Dr. Grey Maggiano, Jeremy Clos, and others. All are welcome to come as you are for a time of scripture and shared insight.

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## CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, JUNE 21

- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II Spoken (Nave)
- 9:30 am Adult Formation: Lectionary Divina (Curry Hall 204)
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with Music (Nave)
- 12 pm Senior Luncheon

### MONDAY, JUNE 22

Office closed in observance of Juneteenth.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 28

- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II Spoken (Nave)
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with Music
- 12 pm SUSO Meeting (Corlett Hall)
- 12:15 pm Caregiver Support Group (Curry Hall 202)



## **KINGDOM QUEST VBS: AN EPIC JOURNEY TO DISCOVER GOD'S KINGDOM**

It's time to register for Vacation Bible School, July 19–23! This year's theme is Kingdom Quest, an adventure-focused VBS that invites children to explore what it means to seek God's kingdom through scripture, worship, service, and friendship. We're excited to once again partner with North Raleigh Presbyterian Church, with VBS taking place on their campus this summer. Mark your calendars now and register to participate. Volunteer opportunities coming soon.

### **SAVE THE DATE: RISE AGAINST HUNGER**

On Sunday, September 20, following the 10:30 service, Nativity will host its 14th annual intergenerational Rise Against Hunger meal-packaging event in Corlett Hall. Sponsored by the Outreach Ministry Team, this will be our fourth year partnering with North Raleigh Presbyterian Church for this meaningful ministry opportunity. As a reminder of the impact of this work, the meals packaged at last year's event were shipped to Ukraine. More details and registration information will be shared soon.

### **EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY**

Registration for the 2026–27 Education for Ministry (EfM) seminar will open this summer. Offered through The University of the South School of Theology, EfM is a small-group program for theological education and reflection that meets Monday evenings at Nativity. Through study, prayer, and guided conversation, participants explore scripture, church history, and theology while reflecting on the relationship between faith and daily life. EfM is grounded in the belief that every Christian is called to ministry, and the program helps participants discern and articulate their own vocation in the world. To learn more, contact Jeremy Clos or Josh Booth, or check out the EfM website.

### **UPCOMING ONE WAKE ACTIONS**

**Join a ONE Wake Listening Session:  
Help Us Understand How Housing is Affecting  
Our Congregation and Those We Care About**

How has the affordable housing crisis affected you or those you know? Your story matters. Join the conversation in person in Corlett Hall on July 12 following the 10:30 am service. All are welcome. Please sign up using the link in Glad Tidings. If you would prefer to share privately, please contact Nativity's ONE Wake core team.

**Save the Date – Saturday, Sept 19  
ONE Wake Statewide Candidate Forum**

Save the date for the ONE Wake Statewide Candidate Forum on

Saturday, September 19. We hope to push forward statewide movement on Affordable Housing and other critical issues. Please plan to join! Things only change when we all push in the same direction!

